

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims:

27. (New) The composite roving of claim 1, wherein said coated bundle is molded to form a composite part.
28. (New) The composite roving of claim 1, wherein said bundle is dipped in a slurry of a powder coating to apply said powder coating to an outer portion of said plurality of outer fibers to form a coated fiber bundle.
29. (New) The composite roving of claim 28, wherein said powder coating is metered onto said bundle by metering the amount of said slurry applied to said sized fiber bundle to a first amount using a stripper die.
30. (New) The composite roving of claim 28, wherein the weight of said plurality of inner fibers and said plurality of outer fibers within said composite roving comprises between approximately ten and eighty percent of the dry total weight of said coated fiber bundle.
31. (New) The composite roving of claim 30, wherein the coated strand is chopped into a plurality of chopped strands, wherein said chopped strands are placed onto a preforming screen to form a preform, and said preform heat consolidated to form a handleable preform.
32. (New) The composite roving of claim 31, wherein the handleable preform is placed on a mold within a press, and wherein said preform is compressed for a predetermined amount of time at a predetermined pressure and at a predetermined elevated temperature sufficient to melt, flow and cure the powder coating material contained within said composite roving to form a structural composite part.

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33. (New) The composite roving of claim 32, wherein said predetermined elevated temperature is between approximately 300 and 450 degrees Fahrenheit and said predetermined pressure is between approximately 300 and 1200 pounds per square inch.
34. (New) The composite roving of claim 30, wherein the coated strand is dried to form a composite roving, whereafter a plurality of strands of said composite roving are coupled to form a fabric, and at least one layer of said fabric is placed into a mold, and said at least one layer of fabric is compression molded at a predetermined temperature and a predetermined pressure to form the structural composite part.
35. (new) The composite roving of claim 34, wherein said plurality of strands of said composite roving are weaved to form said fabric.
36. (new) The composite roving of claim 34, wherein said plurality of strands of said composite roving are knitted to form said fabric.
37. (new) The composite roving of claim 34, wherein said plurality of strands of said composite roving are braided to form said fabric.